Items (1)	Status of Programmes on implementation in States/UTs
D. *Recruitment*	
Making Selection Committees Representative	Assam, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Karnataka, Kerala, Maharashtra, Haryana, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Sikkim, Orissa, Delhi, Punjab J & K, Manipur, Pondicherry Chandigrah, A & N Islands, Daman & Diu made representative
State Public Sector Undertakings	Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Gujarat, Karnataka, Rajasthar, Haryana, Tamil Nadu, West Bengal, Orissa, Delhi, Chandigarh A & N Islands, Pondicherry—issued instructions for making Selective Committees representative.

Impact of Launching of the Pan-Asian Satellite

1553. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been invited to the news items appearing in 'The Economic Times', New Delhi dated the 27th December, 1990 under the caption "Chines satelite TV may widen north-south gap",

(b) if so, the impact of the lauching of the pan-Asian satellite by China on the present Doordarshan programmes particularly of the northern regions of the country and the revenue earning potential of the Doordarshan from adevrtising spots in the regional programmes;

(c) whether any mechanism shall have to be devised for the reception and monitoring of foreign channels, and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) Government have seen the relevant news item.

(b) to (d) The TV programmes transmitted via ASIASAT can be received by an individual viewer in India only after he/she instals an appropriate dish antenna with the TV receving set. The existing licencing procedure prescribed by he Ministry of Communications, however, does not ordinarily permit establishment of a dish antenna for receiving foreign TV programmes. There is no certainty that the distribution of foreign TV programmes via ASIASAT will have any discernible impact on Doordarshan's viewership or on its capacity to earn commerical revenue. There is also no approved scheme with the Government at present for devising any mechanism for reception and monitoring of such programmes

Refusal to record dance drama-Ghanashyam: a broken branch

1554. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government refused to record and broadcast a widely acclaimed dance drama-Ghanashyam: 'a broken branch'—directed by Pandit Ravishankar;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government would reconsider its earlier decision?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) and (b) Doordarshan did not accept dance drama-Ghanashyam: 'a broken branch'—for telecast as its contents were not considered to be in conformity with the accepted norms of broadcasting and the policy being pursued by the Government.

(c) No, Sir.